**ABSOLUTE RATING: Good** 

**IMPROVEMENT RATING: Below Average** 

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 88.

The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from average to excellent. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

## **RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD**

Absolute Rating Good

Improvement Rating Below Average

2001 2002

2003

2004

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

## PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS

Our School

Schools With Students Like Ours









**Mathematics** 

English/ Language Arts

**Mathematics** 

English/ Language Arts

**Advanced** 

**Proficient** 



**Below Basic** 

## **DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:**

- Advanced Student performance exceeded expectations.
- **Proficient** Student performance met expectations.
- Basic Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORII	NG BASIC OR AB	OVE ON THE	PACT	
	English/			Social
Student Group	Language Arts	Math	Science	Studies
All students (n=361)	79.5	65.1	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than				
Speech (n=44)	50	40.9		
Students without disabilities (n=312)	84.9	68.7		
Gender				
Male (n=182)	78.6	67		
Female (n=174)	82.8	63.4		
Ethnic Group				
African American (n=174)	66.7	47.1		
Hispanic (n=9)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=170)	94.1	82.8		
Other (n=3)	N/A	N/A		
Lunch Status Group				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=145)	65.5	46.3		
Pay for lunch (n=210)	91.4	78.8		

# **SCHOOL PROFILE** INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

		Change From	Schools with Students	Median Elementary
	Our School	Last Year	like ours	School
SCHOOL				
Dollars spent per student	\$6,429	N/A	\$5,123	\$5,347
<ul> <li>Prime instructional time</li> </ul>	94.4%	Down from 95%	90.9%	90.2%
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.6 to 1	N/A	19.1 to 1	18.7 to 1
STUDENTS (n=757)				
Attendance Rate	96.4%	Down from 96.8°	% 96.3%	96.2%
<ul> <li>Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level</li> </ul>	3.1%	N/A	3.7%	4.1%
<ul> <li>Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level</li> </ul>	2.8%	N/A	2.4%	3.1%
<ul> <li>First graders who attended full day kindergarten</li> </ul>	87.9%	Up from 86.6%	96.1%	96.3%
<ul> <li>Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Retention rate	3.3%	Up from 2.2%	3.2%	3.6%
TEACHERS (n=52)				
<ul> <li>Professional Development days per teacher</li> </ul>	7.2 Days	Up from 6.5	7.7 Days	7.6 days
Attendance Rate	99%	No change	95.6%	95.1%
<ul> <li>Teachers with advanced degrees</li> </ul>	51.9%	Down from 53.8°	% 48.6%	47.7%
<ul> <li>Continuing contract teachers</li> </ul>	88.5%	Up from 75.5%	84%	83.8%
Teachers with out-of-field permits	0%	No change	0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from the previous school year	90.8%	Down from 92.5	% 88.2%	87.2%
Average teacher salary	\$39,935	Up 8.0%	\$38,085	\$37,520

### **SCHOOL FACTS**

		Change From	Schools with Students	Median Elementary
C	ur School	Last Year	like ours	School
SCHOOL				
<ul> <li>Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries</li> </ul>	62.7%	N/A	64.4%	65.3%
<ul> <li>Principal's years at the school</li> </ul>	10	N/A	4	4.0
<ul> <li>Parents attending conferences</li> </ul>	99.2%	N/A	97%	95.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
On academic plans	N/A	N/A	40.2%	43.1%
<ul> <li>On academic probation</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A	0%	0.0%
<ul> <li>Older than usual for grade</li> </ul>	1.3%	Up from 0%	1%	1.1%
<ul> <li>Suspended or expelled</li> </ul>	1	N/A	0	1
<ul> <li>Gifted and talented</li> </ul>	20.2%	Up from 19%	15.1%	11.5%
With disabilities other than speech	14.6%	Up from 13.1%	8.7%	8.4%

# PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

Sara Collins is an urban school located in the city limits of Greenville, S.C. With its school motto, "Our kids are our world," we provide a quality education to students in kindergarten through fifth grade. Our mission is to educate children to become responsible citizens in a global society by providing a meaningful curriculum that integrates community and technological resources. We also have the district's "Satellite" program for orthopedically handicapped and hearing-impaired students. Sara Collins and the staff have been recognized for their achievements and accomplishments on local, state and national levels. Most notable are the Milken Family foundation National Educator Award, Palmetto's Finest Award, Village Green School, Redbook Magazine Award for Innovative Teaching for Children with Special Needs, and staff members listed in Who's Who Among America's Teachers.

We believe Sara Collins is one of the most exciting learning communities in Greenville County. We are eagerly pursing the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program (IBPYP). Our teachers are moving to a higher level of competence, our students are becoming independent learners, and our PTA is supporting and enhancing our move to train and implement the IBPYP program. Teachers are working of new IB instructional units, reading the latest research, learning technology skills, and training. This year we have started several new partnerships with local businesses that have resulted in many tutors assisting students. We also have six teachers working on their National Broad Certification.

We have a long, proud tradition at Sara Collins Elementary of providing a safe, caring environment and having a strong educational program for all students. We will continue to build on that tradition while we provide students with the education they need for a successful future.



Sara Collins Elementary 1200 Parkins Mill Rd Greenivlle, SC 29607

**Grades** K-5 Elementary School

Enrollment: 757 Students

Principal

Mr. Zach Nabers 864-299-8343

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**Board Chair** 

Roger D. Meek 864-233-8567

# THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

<b>Annual School</b>	
Report Card	

2001

School Grade: Good

### **EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS**

EVALUATIONS DI TEAGNERO AND STODENTO			
Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	77.1	79.4	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	77.1	74.5	
Satisfied with home-school relations	81.3	87.0	

### DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

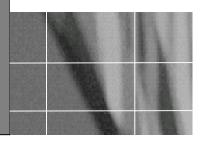
Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.



## South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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